

URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL OF WALTHAM HOLY CROSS



ANNUAL REPORT

of the

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

including the Report of the

CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

for the year ending December 31st, 1963

WALTHAM HOLY CROSS URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE 1963.

CHAIRMAN: Councillor Mr. K.W. Meekin.

MEMBERS:

Councillor: P.M. Pennell (Deputy)
Councillor: Mrs. M. Bird.
Councillor: Mr. E.J. Clarke.
Councillor: Mr. G.R. Furniaux.
Councillor: Mr. W.J. Pritchard.
Councillor: Mr. S.D. Riley.
Councillor: Mrs. J.A. Taylor.

CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL ex-officio: Mr. K.W. Meekin.

PUBLIC HEALTH STAFF:

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH:

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CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR:

Mr. W.H. Meynell, M.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I. (1) (2)

ADDITIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTORS.

Mr. P.W. Riley, M.A.P.H.I. (1) (2)

Mr. W.E. Buxton, M.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I. (1) (2) (3)
(From 1.3.1963.)

- (1) Certificate of the Royal Society of Health and Sanitary
Inspector's Examination Joint Board.
- (2) Certificate of the Royal Society of Health of Inspector
of Meat and Other Foods.
- (3) Certificate of the Royal Society of Health in Tropical
Hygiene.

CLERK:

Mrs. J.G. Amy.

RODENT OPERATIVE:

Mr. T.S. Driver.



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WALTHAM HOLY CROSS URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

To the Chairman and Members of the Waltham Holy Cross
Urban District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting to you the Annual Report, including the Chief Public Health Inspector's Report for the year ending 31st December, 1963.

VITAL STATISTICS

The health of the District remains satisfactory, and there was very little infectious disease during the year.

There has been no significant change in total birth rates or death rates. There were more deaths from cancer than last year, but less from diseases of the heart and circulation. There was only one death during the year from motor vehicle accidents, and six deaths of infants under the age of one year. There were no maternal deaths from childbirth or abortion for the fourth year in succession.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES

There was a small outbreak of mild measles, and four new cases of tuberculosis were notified.

MASS RADIOGRAPHY UNIT

The Mass Radiography Unit again visited the District during the year, with the following results -

<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>NUMBER X-RAYED</u>		
	<u>MALE</u>	<u>FEMALE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Market Place	516	491	1007
Dunlop Ltd.	220	179	399
Total Number X-Rayed	<u>736</u>	<u>670</u>	<u>1406</u>
Requiring further investigation	15	7	22

GROUPS ATTENDING

General Public	381	415	796
Organised Groups	354	254	608
Referred by General Practitioner	1	1	2

PULMONARY TUBERCULOSIS

Requiring immediate treatment	1	-	1
Requiring occasional clinic supervision	3	2(1 P.K.)	5
Presumed healed - no further action required	2(P.K.)	2	4

GROUPS IN WHICH SIGNIFICANT PULMONARY TUBERCULOSIS WAS DISCOVERED

Requiring immediate treatment - General Public	1	-	1
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AMONG OTHER ABNORMALITIES DISCOVERED WERE-

Bronchial Carcinoma	1	-	1
Acquired abnormalities of heart and vessels	1	-	1
Pneumonia	2	-	2
Thyroid enlargement	-	1	1

P.K. Previously Known.

<u>AMONG OTHER ABNORMALITIES DISCOVERED WERE (Cont'd)</u>	<u>MALE</u>	<u>FEMALE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Pleural thickening or calcification - Non T.B.	1	-	1
Abnormalities of the diaphragm and oesophagus	-	1	1
Acquired abnormalities of the bony thorax and soft tissues	1	-	1
Did not attend for repeat miniature film	1	-	1
Also visited Catalin Ltd., November, 1963.	91	75	166
Only abnormality discovered - 1 acquired heart condition.			

DISPOSAL OF RADIO-ACTIVE WASTES

The Experimental Research and Development Establishment of the Ministry of Aviation at Waltham Abbey is authorized to discharge radio-active substances into the main drainage system, up to a maximum amount not exceeding two millicuries of activity per week. The amount discharged during the year was half a millicurie each of tritium and silver which is well below the permitted quantity. Adequate controls and records continue to be maintained to ensure the continued safety of workmen and the general public.

In concluding, I would again like to record my appreciation to the staff of the Public Health Department for their continued help and co-operation, and the Chairman and Members of the Public Health Committee for their support during the year.

H. FRANKS, M.B., B.S., B.Hy., D.P.H.,

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

SECTION A

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

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VITAL STATISTICS

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CAUSES OF DEATH AS GIVEN BY THE REGISTRAR GENERAL
FOR THE YEAR 1963.

	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
Malignant Neoplasm, stomach	3	0	3
Malignant Neoplasm, lung bronchus	4	1	5
Malignant Neoplasm, breast	0	2	2
Malignant and lymphatic neoplasms, other sites	8	10	18
Leukaemia, aleukaemia	2	0	2
Vascular lesions of nervous system.	6	7	13
Coronary disease, angina	10	7	17
Hypertension with heart disease	0	1	1
Other heart disease	6	6	12
Other circulatory disease	2	1	3
Influenza	0	1	1
Pneumonia	4	1	5
Bronchitis	5	3	8
Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	0	1	1
Congenital malformations	1	0	1
Other defined and ill-defined diseases	3	4	7
Motor vehicle accidents	1	0	1
All other accidents	2	1	3
Suicide	1	1	2
	<u>58</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>105</u>

SECTION B

GENERAL PROVISIONS OF THE HEALTH SERVICES IN THE AREA

PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS of the Local Authority (see Page 1).

LABORATORY FACILITIES. A Ministry of Health Laboratory operates at St. Margaret's Hospital, Epping. Milk, water and ice cream samples are examined at the Counties Public Health Laboratories, Thresh House, Verulam Street, Gray's Inn Road, London, W.C.1. Milk samples for biological examination are examined by the Public Health Laboratory Service, Chelmsford.

AMBULANCE FACILITIES. Transport of the sick and injured and maternity cases is the responsibility of the Essex County Council and is free of charge.

In cases of accident or emergency, an ambulance is obtained by dialling 999 on any Waltham Cross telephone. Where there is no dialling system it is sufficient to lift the receiver and ask for an ambulance to be sent to the place required, or to deliver the message personally to the Fire Station, Romeland, Waltham Abbey. Calls of a non-urgent nature are only accepted from responsible persons in the service, e.g. doctors, nurses, etc.

HOSPITALS. The hospitals serving the area are administered by the North-East London Regional Hospital Board.

CHILD WELFARE. The Essex County Council (Forest Area) is the Welfare Authority for the district. Clinics are held at the following times at "The Cedars", Sewardstone Road, Waltham Abbey -

CHILD WELFARE CENTRE: Every Tuesday and Friday at 2 p.m.

SCHOOL CHILDREN (Minor Ailments): 2nd and 4th Tuesday in each month at 10.0 a.m. No charge is made.

ANTE-NATAL CLINIC: Every Monday at 2 p.m.

WOMEN'S WELFARE: 1st Monday. By appointment only.

RELAXATION CLASS FOR EXPECTANT MOTHERS: Every Wednesday afternoon.

(By appointment only)

SPEECH THERAPIST: By appointment only.

UPSHIRE VILLAGE HALL (WEIGHING CENTRE): Alternate Thursdays at
2.30 p.m.

CHILD WELFARE CENTRE, BREACH BARNS CARAVAN SITE: 1st and 3rd
Wednesdays at 2 p.m.

- (f) SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICE. The Education Authority is the Essex County Council, School nurses inspect the children regularly, and there is a medical inspection at each school not less than once per year. Advice and treatment are provided at the Combined Treatment Centre at the appropriate sessions as listed above.
- (g) TUBERCULOSIS SERVICE. Tuberculosis Dispensary at Honey Lane Hospital, Waltham Abbey, every Monday at 2 p.m. for new patients.

During the year the Care Association for the area covering the Chigwell Epping, Waltham Abbey and Ongar districts continued to function. The Association assists cases awaiting admission to sanatorium in various ways and arranges also for admission of child contacts to convalescent homes. It concerns itself also with the after care of patients by assistance in obtaining materials for occupational therapy and whenever possible, suitable employment for those fit to work. The Association is supported by voluntary contributions and receives also a grant from the County Council. The Honorary Secretary is Mrs. B. Hands, 52, Dacre Gardens, Chigwell.

- (h) DISTRICT NURSES', HEALTH VISITORS', MIDWIVES' SERVICES AND HOME HELPS are provided by the Essex County Council, and administered locally by Forest Area Health Sub-Committee of the Council.

The Area Medical Officer is Dr. F.G. Brown, M.B., B.Ch., D.P.H., Municipal Offices, Woodford, E.18, from whom the following statistics have been received -

VISITS PAID BY HEALTH VISITORS

<u>1st Visits</u>				<u>Total Visits</u>			
Under 1 year	)			Under 1 year)		
1 - 5 years	}	...	609	1 - 5 years	}	...	3,101
All others	...	...	169				

CASES ATTENDED BY MIDWIVES

Visits made by midwives	...	...	...	...	...	...	90
Visits made by Home Nurses	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,844

ATTENDANCES AT ANTE-NATAL CLINICS

Ante-Natal	...	...	...	...	...	...	877
Post-Natal	...	...	...	...	...	...	Nil

ATTENDANCES AT CHILD WELFARE CLINICS

Infants under 1 year)			
Children 1 - 5 years	}	...	...	3,548

REPORT OF THE CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

(SECTIONS C, D & E)

Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have much pleasure in presenting my 24th Annual Report on the work carried out by the Department with particular reference to the year 1963.

All matters pertaining to public health were dealt with as expeditiously as possible.

Slum clearance and Meat Inspection claimed precedence over other activities. The advent of the Meat Inspection Regulations, 1963, on the 1st October, necessitated most full time work in the abattoirs.

Mr. W.E. Buxton joined the staff on 1st March, 1963, and has proved himself an asset to the authority.

I take this opportunity of expressing my thanks to the Council, Members of the Public Health Committee, the Medical Officer of Health, Mr. P.W. Riley, Mr. W.E. Buxton, and all other colleagues for their invaluable co-operation and assistance during the year.

W.H. Meynell, M.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I.,

Chief Public Health Inspector.



SECTION C

SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA.

The number of inspections made during the year was 4,064; details regarding the nature of these inspections are given in the following tables.

The Department received 150 complaints covering a variety of subjects; all were dealt with satisfactorily.

Summary

Number of dwelling houses inspected for housing defects

(Under the Public Health and Housing Acts)	509
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Number of dwelling houses inspected for other than housing

defects	27
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Number of premises other than houses inspected	...	970
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Miscellaneous visits	2,558
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4,064

Included in the above tables are the following classified visits -

1. Camping Sites	216
2. Cattle Market	...	...	...	...	...	52
3. General Market	...	...	...	...	...	52
4. Petroleum Acts	...	...	...	...	...	43
5. Licensed Premises	...	...	...	...	...	35
6. Shops	...	...	...	...	...	264
7. Hawkers	...	...	...	...	...	10

8. Nurseries	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	185
9. Factories	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	86
10. Piggeries	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15
11. Rats and mice	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	23
12. Slaughterhouses	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,341
13. Dairies	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
14. Drainage	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	31
15. Atmospheric Pollution	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	180

Details of inspections of food premises and factories are given in the appropriate sections of this Report.

INSPECTION OF DWELLING HOUSES

Number of dwelling houses inspected for defects

(under the Public Health and Housing Acts) 509

Number of dwelling houses rendered fit in consequence of

informal notices ... 16

Statutory notices served under the Public Health Act, 1936 3

PETROLEUM ACTS AND REGULATIONS

Licences granted during 1963 ... 38

43 Visits were made to ensure that the requirements of the Acts were being observed. Conditions were found to be satisfactory.

PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949.

The sewers were test baited as required by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food. The method of baiting heavily in parts of the system where "takes" were registered was continued with satisfactory results.

Systematic inspection of the area was made for the presence of rats and mice.

Work of disinfection was effected where necessary; a free service being given to domestic premises and a charge being made for business premises.

During the year complaints were received of wasps, ants, flies and mosquitoes. The Department was able to deal effectively with most of these but the fly remains a problem.

Works effected under the Act to the 31st December, 1963, are as follows -

TYPE OF PROPERTY

Non-Agricultural

	<u>Local Authority</u>	<u>Dwelling Houses (inc. Council Houses)</u>	<u>All other (inc. Business Premises)</u>	<u>Total of Cols. 1, 2 & 3.</u>	<u>Agricul- tural</u>
No. of properties in Local Authority's District	19	3,094	567	3,680	132
No. of properties inspected as a result of notification	-	33	22	55	5
No. of such properties found to be infested by-					
(a) Common rat (Major)	-	-	-	-	-
(Minor)	-	22	10	32	3
(b) Mice (Major)	-	-	-	-	-
(Minor)	1	3	2	6	-
No. of properties inspected in the course of survey under the Act.	21	1,197	151	1,369	71
No. of such properties found to be infested by-					
(a) Common rat (Major)	-	-	1	1	-
(Minor)	11	113	22	146	10
(b) Mice (Major)	-	-	-	-	-
(Minor)	-	3	5	8	1
Total inspections including re-inspections	69	1,794	330	2,193	132
Total treatments carried out	12	141	39	192	14

GARAVAN SITES AND CONTROL OF DEVELOPMENT ACT, 1960.

Number of sites for which licenses have been issued by the

Local Authority	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12
Number of caravans	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	538
Number of campers during 1963 (approx.)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,500

Legal proceedings were taken against a licensee for non-compliance with the conditions of the licence. It was ascertained that the licensee had "Dee planning consent and accordingly the licence was "out of time". A complaint the Court had been laid by the licensee but had not been resolved. He elected have this complaint resolved prior to the prosecution proceeding. Counsel advised that we come to an "arrangement" with the licensee because the Council legal position was not very strong. This advice was followed.

216 Visits were made during the year.

ATMOSPHERIC POLLUTION.

The Council continued its participation in the Essex County Council's Scheme for recording pollution of the atmosphere.

Daily readings of the volumetric instrument are taken in the Department. The deposit gauge and lead peroxide instruments are submitted to the Counties Public Health Laboratories, Thresh House, Verulam Street, Gray's Inn Road, London, W.C.1. for examination and analysis at monthly intervals.

At the request of Cheshunt U.D.C. meetings were held to discuss allegations of pollution in the Lea Road area. Further meetings were held with the manager of one firm who offered its co-operation in any way, whilst at the same time disclaiming responsibility. Regular inspection was maintained in the area and no contraventions of the Act were observed.

Despite the Minister's undertaking that Crown premises would co-operate in the implementing of the Clean Air Act, the Eastern Electricity Board's Power Station at Brimsdown continues to be a major source of pollution in this area.

LICENSED PREMISES.

Thirty-five visits were made to licensed premises and conditions were found to be satisfactory.

SEWERAGE.

The area is sewered in the main to an outfall at the Old Sewerage Works in Brooker Road. From there it is pumped under the River Lea and thence by gravity to the Middlesex Works at Deephams.

In addition the Sewardstonebury area is drained to a small but satisfactory works in Sewardstonebury; one from a small area in the Fox and Hounds district is drained to Chingford, and one farm to the Epping and Ongar Rural District.

REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL.

Collection is made weekly from all properties in the area by two modern S.D. vehicles.

Problems of disposal are always with us, but one wonders whether individual tipping is the answer. What happens when there are no more holes to be filled? Last year I suggested that tipping be controlled on the basis of a Regional Board. I believe a meeting was held, but have not heard of any practical proposals to further this point.

CESSPOOLS.

Cesspools are emptied quarterly by Contract.

ROADS.

Council maintained streets are scavenged and gullies emptied by direct labour.

SALVAGE.

Waste paper is collected and sold to a paper pulping firm. Rags and scrap metal are also collected and sold.

PUBLIC CONVENIENCES.

Conveniences are provided for both sexes at the "Kings Oak", High Beech, (during the summer months), at the Town Hall and Farm Hill Road. Unfortunately, these properties suffer seriously from wilful damage.

One deplores the fact that there is not a constant supply of hot and cold water together with paper towels in the public conveniences. It is felt that these days when so much stress is laid on hygiene that this amenity would be readily provided.

The Public Health Committee gave favourable consideration to this suggestion which was embodied in last years report. However, coincident with this came the report of the Engineer and Surveyor of serious damage in the conveniences caused by vandals and it was decided reluctantly not to proceed with the scheme. It seems all wrong that the law abiding members of the community should be deprived of this facility because of the behaviour of some hooligans.

If the general public would report any damage which they witness, legal action could be taken and matters thereby, we hope, improved.

The Committee also made provision for public amenities in the Wake Arms area as and when the water main is extended.

WATER SUPPLY.

The district is within the Metropolitan Water Board's area of supply. There are outlying parts of the district which do not receive the benefit of this supply and depend solely on water from shallow wells.

The water in the wells in the "Wake Arms" area although reported as "fit for domestic purposes" is extremely acid in reaction. It is extremely doubtful that the supply is adequate for the business premises concerned. One shudders to think what may happen in case of fire. As a result of the unsatisfactory supply in this area, approaches were made to interested parties with a view to the extension of the Metropolitan Water Board's mains to this area. Financial arrangements were concluded and instructions given for the work to be put in hand.

At Claverhambury, the Clapton Stadium Limited supply their dwelling houses and kennels, together with an adjoining dairy farm, with water obtained from an artesian well.

Samples of water have been obtained from wells in various parts of the district, and also from the public mains and swimming pool. The swimming pool is privately owned, water being supplied by the Metropolitan Water Board. Favourable reports were received from the Analyst in each case.

AGRICULTURE (SAFETY, HEALTH AND WELFARE PROVISIONS) ACT, 1956.

185 Visits were made to ascertain conditions prevailing on the nurseries. Some premises were satisfactory, in other it was necessary to request that some works be put in hand to comply with the requirements of the Act.

SECTION D

HOUSING STATISTICS

Estates Administered by the Council

<u>Estate</u>	<u>Houses</u>	<u>Bungalows</u>		<u>1 bed</u>	<u>1 bed</u>	<u>Flats</u>		<u>Maison-</u> <u>ettes</u>	<u>Total</u>
		<u>Bed</u> <u>Sitters</u>	<u>1 bed</u>			<u>2 bed</u>	<u>3 bed</u>		
Beechfield Walk									
Inc. Lodge Lane	96	14	4						114
Beech Hill Gardens	16								16
Butlers Drive	16								16
Brooked Mile	4	2							6
Benny Avenue	61								61
Eastbrook Road	8								8
Mountain Place	3		3	11	4				21
North Hill Road	2								2
Forest Close	10								10
De Gladeway			12						12
Grove Court		6							6
Harold Crescent	48								48
Market Square						1	1	4	6
Paradise Road				17	6	4			27
Paternoster Hill	80	2							82
Pick Hill	165		2						167
Princesfield Estate	160			28	28				216
Quinton Road	1		4						5
Rewardstone Street	3			2	4				9
Silver Street			3						3
Tennyson Avenue	20								20
Townmead Depot	1								1
Wpshire Road	36								36
	730	24	28	58	43	5	4		892
Acquired properties	36								36
<u>GRAND TOTAL</u>	<u>766</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>58</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>		<u>928</u>

The total number of families rehoused in Council accommodation during the year amounted to 38 made up as follows -

Acquired properties	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Transfers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	-
Re-lets	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	33
Mutual Exchanges	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3

Nineteen houses, scheduled as unfit, have been cleared and the occupant have been rehoused in permanent accommodation.

There were fifty-one private dwellings erected during the year.

Inspection of dwelling houses under the Housing Consolidated Regulation 1925, was as follows -

1. Number of houses which on inspection were considered to be unfit for human habitation ... 10
2. Number of houses the defects of which were remedied in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their Officers ... 3
3. Number of representations made to the Local Authority with a view to
 - (a) The serving of notices requiring the execution of works -
 - (b) The making of demolition or closing orders ... 7
4. Number of notices served requiring the execution of works ... -
5. Number of houses which were rendered fit after the service of formal notices ... -
6. Number of demolition or closing orders made ... 3

7.	Number of houses in respect of which an undertaking was								
	accepted under subsection (3) of Section 11 of the								
	Housing Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
8.	Number of houses demolished	...	...	...	...				19

The Urban District Council's Engineer and Surveyor is Mr. George Clarke, A.R.I.C.S., M.I. Mun. E., and the Housing Manager is Mr. E.H. Entwisle, A.R.V.A.

SECTION E

INSPECTION OF FOOD

ESSEX COUNTY COUNCIL ACTS, 1933 and 1952.

Ice Cream

Number of persons registered as vendors 71

Food Hawkers

Number of persons registered 19

MEAT AND OTHER FOODS

Slaughterhouses Act, 1958.

There are three licensed slaughterhouses in the area, they are -

1. Enfield Highway Co-operative Society Ltd.,

Brooker Road, Waltham Abbey, Essex.

2. Farmer Butcher (Waltham Abbey) Limited,

10, Sun Street, Waltham Abbey, Essex.

3. City Meat Wholesalers Ltd.,

Waltham Abbey Abattoir, Sewardstone, E.4.

The following animals were inspected during the year -

	10 Bulls
	875 Cows
	7,409 {Steers Heifers
	1,769 Calves
	29,622 Swine
	20,620 Sheep and Lambs
	5 Goats
TOTAL	<u>60,310</u>

The total number of animals slaughtered fell by 2,489. Pigs were down 4,314; Cows by 1,320; Steers and Heifers on the other hand were up by 3,43 Calves by 298.

The Meat Inspection Regulations, 1963, came into force on 1st October, Whilst the trade wanted the hours of slaughter to be as in the Regulations, to 7 p.m. the Council offered 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. on weekdays and 9 a.m. to 12 on Saturdays.

The following were surrendered as being unfit for human consumption -

44 Pig carcasses
8 Pt. pig carcasses.
2 Sheep carcasses
1 Beast carcass
5 Calf carcasses
4 Cow carcasses
3 Pt. cow carcasses
4 Pt. steer carcasses

1,895 Pig livers
289 Pig heads
634 Pig plucks
172 Pig lungs
3 Pig collars
65 Pig hearts
1 Pig offal
78 Pig intestines
21 Pig kidneys
2 Pig shins
11 Pig hocks
7 Pig stomachs
48 Pig legs
1 Pt. pig leg.
8 Pig fores
4 Pig hinds
1 Pig loin
4 Pt. pig hinds
2 Pig shoulders
55 Sow kidneys
1 Sow briskett
983 Sheep livers
10 Sheep lungs
1 Sheep shoulder
1 Sheep breast
71 Sheep plucks

2 Sheep forequarters
1 Leg mutton
1 Pt. leg mutton
1 Beast shin
1 Forequarter of beef
1 Foreleg of beef
1 Skirt of beef
1 Beast intestine
1 Calf pluck
10 Calf lungs
4 Calf kidneys
4 Calf hearts
1 Calf liver
386 Cow livers
1 Cow spleen
40 Cow lungs
18 Cow hearts
4 Cow heads
4 Cow tongues
131 Cow kidneys
16 Pt. cow livers
1 Cow leg
1 Cow hindquarter
1 Cow hindleg
1 Cow stomach
2 Cow udders

48 Bovine hearts
6 Bovine spleens
15 Bovine tongues
1,039 Bovine livers
137 Pt. bovine livers
104 Bovine lungs
49 Bovine heads
3 Bovine kidneys
1 Heifer head and tongue
1 Knuckle of pork
1 Flank of beef
18 lb. Pork
13 lb. Beef

Total weight of meat and offal thus surrendered as unfit for human consumption was -

22 tons, 9 cwts., 1 qtr., 6 lbs.

CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED -

				<u>Cattle excluding Cows</u>	<u>Cows</u>	<u>Calves</u>	<u>Sheep and Lambs</u>	<u>Pi</u>
Number killed	...	...	...	7,409	875	1,769	20,620	29,
Number inspected		...	...	7,409	875	1,769	20,620	29,
ALL DISEASES EXCEPT TUBERCULOSIS:								
Whole carcasses condemned	...			1	3	5	2	
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned				1,486	606	20	1,070	3,
Percentage of the number inspected affected with diseases other than tuberculosis				2.05	7.4	1.41	5.2	10
TUBERCULOSIS ONLY:								
Whole carcasses condemned	...			-	1	-	-	
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	...			29	3	-	-	
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis				.39	.45	-	-	10

CYSTICERCUS BOVIS

Systematic examination of all carcasses revealed the following affected
parasite -

- 2 Bovine heads
- 3 Bovine hearts
- 14 Bovine heads and tongues
- 1 Heifer head and tongue

All meat surrendered is disposed of to reputable contractors who sterilise the unfit meat in steam digesters. The resulting product is utilised in industry. All other foods are rendered innocuous by boiling and used for pig food; where this is not practicable the articles are burnt.

SLAUGHTER OF ANIMALS ACT, 1933 - 1954.

There are twenty-one slaughtermen licensed under the Act.

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955.

All premises where food is prepared were inspected. The following articles were surrendered as being unfit for human consumption -

- 5 - 1 lb. 3 oz. tins processed peas.
- 1 - 10 oz. tin garden peas.
- 1 - $15\frac{1}{2}$ oz. tin garden peas.
- 1 - 1 lb. $3\frac{1}{2}$ oz. tin garden peas.
- 1 - $15\frac{1}{2}$ oz. tin evaporated milk.
- 10 - 6 oz. tins dairy cream.
- 5 - 8 lb. 8 oz. tins cooked holland pork shoulder.
- 1 - 10 lb. 7 oz. tin pork shoulder.
- 2 - 4 lb. tins chopped pork.
- 1 - 12 oz. tin luncheon meat.
- 1 - 7 oz. tin pork luncheon meat.
- 1 - $1\frac{5}{8}$ oz. tin sliced onions.
- 1 - $15\frac{1}{2}$ oz. tin steak and kidney pie.
- 1 - 15 oz. tin pilchards.

- 1 - $10\frac{1}{2}$ oz. tin tomato soup.
- 3 - 14 oz. tins bartlett pears.
- 1 - 1 lb. 13 oz. tin bartlett pears.
- 1 - 2 lb. tin seville orange marmalade.
- 1 - $9\frac{3}{4}$ fluid ounces tin shandy.
- 1 - $15\frac{1}{2}$ oz. tin fruit salad.
- 43 lbs. sirloin of beef.

Foods are sampled by the Weights and Measures Officer of the Essex County Council, and he supplies me with reports thereon.

The following samples were reported upon during 1963 -

Milks (15)	...	...	...	...	...	...	Genuine.
Steak pudding (1)	...	...	...	...	...	...	Genuine.
Spaghetti Milanese (1)	...	...	...	...	...	...	Genuine.
Creamed rice pudding (1)		...	...	...	...	...	Genuine.
Ground white pepper (2)		...	...	...	...	...	Genuine.
Granulated sugar (1)	...	...	...	...	...	...	Genuine.
Pure dried vacuum salt (1)		...	...	...	...	...	Genuine.
Concentrated bologne sauce (1)		...	...	...	...	...	Genuine.
Sifted demerara sugar (1)		...	...	...	...	...	Genuine.
Stewed steak with gravy (1)	...	...	...	...	...	...	Genuine.

FOOD HYGIENE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 1960.

All premises affected by the Regulations were visited during the year, visits in all being made. Satisfactory conditions were found to prevail.

CHEMICAL AND BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATION OF FOOD.

The Essex County Council deals principally with matters coming under this heading. I am informed that all samples taken for examination in the area were found to be satisfactory. In addition 43 samples of milk, 41 samples of ice cream and 34 samples of lollies were submitted for examination.

The samples were submitted to the Counties Public Health Laboratories, Thresh House, Verulam Street, Gray's Inn Road, London, W.C.1., through the Essex County Council Bacteriological Service.

Examination of ice cream samples is in accordance with the Ministry of Health's Provisional Grading system. Samples submitted were graded as follows -

<u>Grades</u>	<u>Samples</u>
1	27
2	11
3	3

Twelve samples of milk were submitted for biological examination at the Chelmsford and Essex Hospital.

Samples are obtained at the request of the County Medical Officer of Health and are paid for by the County Council.

Samples of milk were submitted as follows -

Tuberculin Tested	...	...	...	5
Pasteurised	...	...	...	13
T.T./Pasteurised	...	...	...	2
C.I./Pasteurised	...	...	...	9
Sterilised	...	...	...	2
Biological examination	...	...		12
				<hr/> 43 <hr/>

All were reported upon as negative.

FACTORIES ACT, 1937.

There are 76 factories on the Register. 86 Visits were made during the year. Conditions were found to be generally satisfactory in those premises which visits were made.

There are 50 outworkers in the area.

NUMBER AND TRADE OF OUTWORKERS AS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1963.

Wearing apparel	...	...	...	...	...	39
Paper bags	...	...	...	...	...	1
Brush making	...	...	...	...	...	3
Stuffed toys	...	...	...	...	...	1
Table stationery	...	...	...	...	...	1
Coiling nylon string	1
Hand-polishing table tennis bat handles	3
Tennis racquet stringing	1
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Outworkers were notified from the following areas -

Shoreditch	...	2	Bradford	...	1
Hertford	...	2	Tottenham	...	9
Cheshunt	...	25	Walthamstow...	...	1
Finsbury	...	2	Chigwell	...	1
Chingford	...	1	Hackney	...	1
Dunlop Sports Co.	...	5			

A number of inspections and recommendations have been made under Section 34, dealing with means of escape in case of fire.

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FACTORIES ACTS, 1937 and 1948.

PART I OF THE ACT

1.- INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health (inc. inspections made by Public Health Inspectors)

Premises (1)	Number of			Occupiers prosecuted
	Number on Register (2)	Inspections (3)	Written notices (4)	
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6, are to be enforced by Local Authorities	nil	nil	nil	nil
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	74	84	8	nil
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	2	2	nil	nil
(excluding outworkers' premises)	76	86	8	nil

2. CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND.

Particulars	Found	Remedied	To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector	Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Want of cleanliness (S.I.)	8	8	nil	nil	nil
Overcrowding (S.2)	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil

OUTWORK

Section 110

Section 111

Nature of work (1)	No. of outworkers in August list required by Sect. 110 (1)(c) (2)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council (3)	No. of prosecu- tions for failure to supply lists (4)	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises (5)	Notices served (6)	Prosecutions (7)
Wearing apparel - Making etc.	39	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil
Paper bags	1	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil
Brush making	3	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil
Stuffed toys	1	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil
Table stationery	1	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil
Coiling nylon string	1	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil
Hand polishing table tennis bat handles.	3	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil
Tennis racquet stringing	1	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil
	50	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil

SECTION F

PREVALENCE OF, AND CONTROL OVER, INFECTIOUS DISEASES

					<u>Cases notified</u>	<u>Cases admitted to hospital</u>	<u>Deaths</u>
asles	...	...	...	...	263	6	-
arlet Fever	...	...	...	...	2	-	-
ysipelas	...	...	...	...	1	-	-
oping Cough	...	...	...	...	22	5	-

TUBERCULOSIS

Four new cases of tuberculosis were notified during the year.

MALES

FEMALES

<u>Pulm.</u>	<u>Non.Pulm.</u>	<u>Pulm.</u>	<u>Non.Pulm.</u>
2	1	1	-

There were no deaths from this disease.

DIPHTHERIA

No cases were reported during the year.

VACCINATION AND IMMUNISATION SCHEMES

(1) SMALLPOX. 14 Primary vaccinations were performed, and 12 persons were vaccinated - as compared with last years figures of 801 primary vaccinations and 752 re-vaccinations.

(2) DIPHTHERIA. Immunisations against diphtheria have continued, 13 immunisations and 69 re-inforcing injections having been given during the year, compared with 116 and 84 in the previous year.

(3) WHOOPING COUGH. 13 Children completed the course of injections during 1963, compared with 20 in 1962.

(4) TETANUS. 12 Immunisations have been given during the year.

(5) D.P.T. 100 Primary, 22 boosters.

(6) POLIOMYELITIS VACCINATIONS.

Salk Vaccine

First and second injections	...	...	3
Third injections	...	...	15
Fourth injections	...	...	6

Oral Vaccine

First, second and third	...	...	286
Third Oral (following two Salk)	...	73	
Fourth	...	...	134

SOME NOTIFIABLE DISEASES DURING THE LAST FIVE YEARS.

<u>Disease</u>	<u>1959</u>	<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>	<u>1962</u>	<u>1963</u>
Scarlet Fever	11	10	8	1	2
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Primary Pneumonia	2	3	1	3	-
Puerperal Fever and Pyrexia	-	-	1	-	-
Measles	91	2	229	8	263
Whooping Cough	1	4	2	-	22